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## Barber Prexy Charms Crowd At S.J. Fete

By BILL PEDIGO

William C. Birthright, general president of the International Association of Barbers, was supposed to be entertained at a testimonial dinner in San Jose last Sunday night but his charm and personality turned the tables and the Indiana unionist captivated his listeners as he spoke at length.

Birthright, who came to California for the American Federation of Labor convention, started off by suggesting that the Northern California District Council of Barbers make plans now for another such dinner in 1956—the AFL convenes in Seattle that year!

In an informal talk, Birthright looked around the table and recalled little events or happenings involving various local union officials, some of his anecdotes keeping the crowd of nearly 100 roaring with laughter. He proved his ability to remember names by calling most of the delegates present by first names, without prompting.

**Special salute was paid by Birthright to Anthony Agrillo, secretary of the California State Association of Barbers, who was celebrating his birthday. Delegates joined in a "happy birthday" wish.**

Birthright's talk wasn't all frivolous. He told of highlights of the AFL convention as seen by an executive board member. He urged barbers to look to their own welfare. He suggested more active legislative programs.

C. A. Silva, president of the northern area council, served as master of ceremonies for the dinner party, held at Vahl's Tavern, at Alviso. Most persons present were introduced, some of the top names including State Senator John F. Thompson of San Jose; Walter Pierce, international vice president for barbers; Maude Sullivan, international office secretary; Mrs. Birthright and their daughter-in-law and grandson.

Barbers from Eureka to Fresno gathered for the Birthright dinner and for a short meeting of the Northern California council. The meeting, held on the sunny lawn at Vahl's, was attended also by a saucy parrot whose antics and remarks provided entertainment which overshadowed important business.

Silva conducted the council meeting with Frances Carney, of San Francisco, as secretary pro tem in absence of Ethel Whittington, of Richmond. Business included election of officers, including Silva, president; Sam Borruso, of San Jose, vice president; Ethel Whittington, secretary-treasurer; Robert White of Vallejo, guide; Clyde George of San Francisco, guardian. Installation will be at the January 16th meeting in Oakland.

## NOTICE TO CARPENTERS

TO MEMBERS OF MONTEREY CARPENTERS UNION 1323:

Offices and headquarters of Local 1323 will be closed all day on Saturdays hereafter, effective this Saturday, until further notice.

Saturday closing was decided upon by the union in conformity with the established principles of a five-day workweek. Members are asked to confine all business to the union's regular hours, Mondays through Fridays. The office is open at noon for convenience of members.

THOMAS EIDE  
Business Agent.

## Blast Wrecks Local Fishing Boat at Avila

Two Monterey fishermen were lost and five others injured last week when a gasoline tank exploded aboard the purse seiner Santa Lucia alongside a fueling dock at Avila, San Luis Obispo County.

Standing by the 300-gallon tank when it exploded and believed dead although their bodies were not recovered immediately were Frank Cardinelli, the captain and owner of the boat, and a crewman with the same name although no relation.

Seven other crew members aboard the boat were blasted into the water when the explosion ripped the boat apart and five suffered minor injuries. All were able to reach shore in a skiff.

The explosion occurred about 6 p.m. Tuesday (Sept. 28) as the boat was about to refuel. The dock was set afire and badly damaged.

## Caveny Gets Buck, But Not Others

Lester A. Caveny, business agent of Monterey Fish Cannery Workers Union, returned with a 160-pound buck last week after five days of deer hunting, but other union officials had had no luck by last Wednesday, it was reported.

Caveny said his deer dressed out at about 120 pounds. He got it in the high Sierras, but declined to state the exact spot.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Jenkins, hunting in Northern California, telephoned friends that bad weather had forced the deer to move and that they were having little luck. They were due back by Monday of this week, whether or not they got their buck.

**Observe safety rules!**

## Free Rider's Card

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I refuse to accept any benefits that will be won by the Unions and hereby authorize and direct the Company to withhold the amount of the Union-won benefits from my paycheck each week, and donate it to charity.

Signature.....

Address .....

## Union Leaders, Doctors Meet On Welfare Plan

Representatives of Hotel & Restaurant Employees and Bartenders Union 483 of Monterey met with a committee from the Monterey County Medical Society last week to discuss rate schedules as set up in the projected health and welfare plan of Local 483.

Drs. Frank Smith, Allen Mitchell and E. E. Simard were told of the welfare plan, which goes into effect as soon as details are worked out, which will cover all restaurant and hotel service workers in the Monterey Peninsula area.

The physicians were asked to study the schedule of payments as set up in the welfare plan, compare this schedule with the prevailing charges by physicians of the area, and advise the union of discrepancies and suggestions whereby the benefits might be sufficient to cover medical care.

After discussion of the problems involved, the doctor committee agreed to take the problem before the Medical Society at its next meeting and contact the union as soon as possible.

Purpose of the luncheon meeting was to eliminate, if possible, the situation which has arisen in some areas where doctors charge far more than the welfare plan benefits or where there is no uniform rate set up by the doctors, thus causing confusion and hardship for persons covered by the welfare plan and thereby leading to sometimes bitter arguments over effectiveness of the plans.

Attending from the union were Lou Gold, president, and Robert S. Harrington, secretary and business manager. Also present were Sonya du Gardyn, secretary of the labor council at Monterey, and Earl Landerskin and Joe Shelver, brokers for the health plan and representatives of Occidental Insurance Co.

## Promoters Due At Mont. Meet On Auditorium

Interested parties seeking to promote a major civic auditorium in the Monterey area were scheduled to attend the Monterey Peninsula Central Labor Council meeting on Tuesday of this week to explain their plans.

John te Groen, president of the Los Angeles Musicians Union, and promoters Woodsman and Kosterman were due in Monterey to check the situation and explain how organized labor may help the project.

According to Sonya du Gardyn, secretary of the Monterey labor council, the plan calls for public subscriptions and benefit events to finance the major building.

The labor council is interested in helping provide an auditorium which will be adequate to house major conventions and major entertainment events.

Secretary du Gardyn has been in contact with Robert Jones, noted architect, to see how the labor movement can assist. The visit by promoters and others at this week's council meeting was arranged so council delegates might get a first-hand report on progress.

Beautify wrought-iron furnishings and accessories with an occasional application of liquid wax. This also protects against corrosion.

## AFL TO MOBILIZE THE VOTE

## Vote Against Big Biz Nov. 2

Los Angeles—Affiliated unions of the American Federation of Labor were called upon by the AFL's 73rd annual convention to take "extraordinary measures" to mobilize their 10 million members for effective political action this fall.

The convention said that the Congressional elections in November will give citizens the first opportunity in two years to "recapture some of the ground which has been lost and to return our Government to the people."

The delegates unanimously urged that the machinery of Labor's League for Political Education be strengthened so that labor may exert political influence commensurate with its economic strength.

They attacked the Eisenhower Administration for pursuing the same philosophy of government which caused the depression.

They criticized the Administration for giving away the nation's natural resources, refusing to give low-income families a fair share of tax reduction benefits, adopting policies which have resulted in unemployment and reduced earnings, failing to enact even a limited housing program for low-income groups, and "stacking" Government agencies, including the National Labor Relations Board, with persons who are opposed to the laws they are charged with carrying out.

The AFL declared that there is grave danger that the U.S. will be faced with a "major economic catastrophe" unless "government, by and for big business" is ended. It said that control of the Government must be turned back to representatives who follow the doctrine that there can be no real prosperity without full employment and a high living standard for the masses of the people.

"It is the responsibility and function of Government to lay the basis for such prosperity and higher standards of living by enacting appropriate labor and social legislation," the federation pointed out.

## LAST THING—CUT PRICES!

New York (PAI)—The last thing on earth the average manufacturer expects to do to fight the recession is to cut prices. In fact, some of them are planning to boost prices.

This is the sum and substance of a poll taken by the New York Journal of Commerce among 381 industrialists. Not a single man interviewed proposed price cuts, while 29 of the 145 producers of durable goods talked to said they were planning to boost prices between now and the end of the year.

## CARP. COUNCIL MEETS TUESDAY

Next regular meeting of the Monterey Bay District Council of Carpenters is scheduled for Tuesday, October 12, at Veterans Hall in Santa Cruz.

Carpenters Union 829 will be host and a special Columbus Day dinner is planned for the visiting delegates. No detailed plans were announced, however.

## LIST N. CALIF. LABOR GROUP FOR KNIGHT

(AFL Northern Calif. Committee for Knight Release)

The formation of a committee of 200 Northern California AFL labor officials to conduct the drive in union ranks for the election of Governor Goodwin J. Knight has been announced by Milton Maxwell, Butchers Local 115, San Francisco.

Maxwell, who is general chairman of the AFL Northern California Committee for Knight, said that the naming of the committee follows the decision of the California Labor League for Political Education, which endorsed Governor Knight at the recent California State Federation of Labor convention at Santa Barbara.

The Committee of 200 is as follows:

Anthony Agrillo, Barbers 252, San Jose; Sam Abruscato, Plumbers 467, San Mateo; Hal Angus, California State Council of Cannery Workers, Oakland; Pete Andrade, director Western Cannery Council, S.F.; Arthur Benjamin, Sailors Union of the Pacific, S.F.; Walter J. Bovie, Garage Employees 78, Oakland; Elbert Bidwell, Musicians 189, Stockton; A. H. Bertolucci, Teamsters 980, Santa Rosa; Lester Brown, Cannery Workers 601, Stockton; James Butler, Barbers 827, Salinas; Leo Burke, Stage Hands 90, Stockton; A. J. Beck, Painters 1034, Eureka; James R. Bell, Painters 1034, Eureka; Paul Burnett, Santa Cruz County Building Trades Council, Watsonville; Sal F. Burke, Teamsters 684, Eureka; Al Boardman, Operating En- (Continued on Page Five)

## In San Francisco

Thomas Eide, business agent of Monterey Carpenters Union 1323, was in San Francisco last Wednesday on union business. Co-workers said he was assisting a union member in a compensation case. Details were not reported.

## Some Squid

Monterey area boats delivered small loads of squid to fish canning plants for processing last week, first squid for some time. Other plants were processing anchovies and albacore (tuna) that had been shipped in from other ports. There were no sardines processed here, according to officials of the Fish Cannery Workers Union.

## Implement Strike

Toronto, Canada (PAI)—Nearly 3,000 agricultural implement workers went on strike at the Massey-Harris-Ferguson plant here when the company cancelled union privileges after negotiations with Local 439 of the United Auto Workers failed to reach a contract. Union officials declared that the company was taking "advantage of the employment situation to turn on the heat."

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**BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY**—Meets 1st Thursday, 8 p.m., Hoffman St., Monterey; 3rd Thursday, 8 p.m., Calmos Hotel, Salinas. Pres., Geo. E. Jenkins, 3230 Hoffmann Ave., Monterey, phone 2-8456; Sec. and Bus. Agt., Dial H. Miles, office, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 2-2886.

**PAINTERS 1104**—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 117 Pajaro St., 7:30 p.m. Pres., Otto Sweeper, 401 Natividad St., phone 2-2907; Rec. Sec., L. Wendelkin, 1130½ Acosta, phone 2-6240; Fin. Sec. and Bus. Agt., Peter A. Greco, 417 Lincoln Office, Labor Temple, phone 8783.

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**RETAIL CLERKS 839**—Meets 2nd Wednesday, Women's City Club, 8 p.m. Pres., Lawrence Vestal, 406 Calif. St., phone 5624; Sec. and Bus. Agt., Garold F. Miller, 206 Alisal St., phone 2-3366; office phone 1938.

**ROOFERS 50**—Meets 2nd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Melvin Jones, 241 Margaret St., Salinas; Sec. and B. A., Leslie B. Sellars, 210 Granite St., Pacific Grove, phone 5-6962.

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**STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS 611**—Meets 1st Tuesday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 9:30 a.m. Pres., Stanley Falkenberg, 2 Serrano Way, Monterey, phone 27758; Rec. Sec., Al Pierce, 717 Sunset Dr., Capitola, phone, Santa Cruz 5629-M; Fin. Sec., Art Jackson, 1123 Kimmel, Salinas, phone 2-0318; Bus. Agt., James Wilson, 228 Peyton, Santa Cruz, phone 1216.

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**TOPOGRAPHICAL UNION 759**—Meets 3rd Friday, Bartenders Hall, 7:30 p.m. Pres., Cecil D. Starnes, 1071 Cass St., ph. 2-6156; Sec., A. B. Rotter, 412 Le Lo Vina, ph. 5-5406.

**CARPENTERS 1323**—Meets 1st and 3rd Monday, Carpenters Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., E. E. Norman; Fin. Sec., Hugh McClay; Rec. Sec., Lee Thilgen, 12 Serrano Way, Monterey, phone 2-0335; B. A., Tom Eide, office, Carpenters Hall, 778 Hawthorne, phone 2-7511, home phone 5-7242.

**CARPENTERS LADIES' AUXILIARY 674**—Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays, 8 p.m., Carpenters Hall, Pres., Mrs. Elias Hauck; Sec., Mrs. Robert Dalton, 864 Congress, Pacific Grove, phone 2-4314; Treas., Mrs. S. F. Maxwell, 2022 Del Monte, ph. 2-4231.

**CARPENTERS DISTRICT COUNCIL**—Meets 2nd Tuesday, alternating between Santa Cruz, Watsonville, Salinas, Monterey, King City, 8 p.m. Pres., A. O. Miller, 41 Katherine, Salinas, phone 9293; Vice-Pres., Sam Combs, 440 7th Ave., Santa Cruz, phone 1283-M; Secy.-Treas., Leo E. Thilgen, 12 Serrano Way, Monterey, phone Monterey 2-0335.

**CENTRAL LABOR UNION (Monterey County)**—Meets 1st and 3rd Fridays, 8 p.m., 117 Pajaro St., Pres., Dial H. Miles; Secy.-Treas., Alfred J. Clark. Office in Gabilan Bldg., 6 West Gabilan St., Room 18, phone 7787.

**DRY CLEANERS 33**—Meets 3rd Thursday at 7:30 p.m., Labor Temple. Pres., Dempsey McPherson; Sec., Claudia Staten; Bus. Agt., Lola Chandler, Office, 45 Santa Teresa, San Jose, phone Cypress 2-1454.

**ELECTRICAL WORKERS 1243**—Meets 1st Wednesday; Executive Board 3rd Wednesday; 117 Pajaro St., Salinas. Pres., Frank Karp, 217 Quilla St., phone 2-1151; Rec. Sec., P. M. Lindeman, 246 Dennis St., phone 2-4225.

**ENGINEERS (Stationary) 39**—Meets on call, 117 Pajaro, Salinas, 8 p.m. Pres., Matt Tracy; Sec., Frank Brantley; Mgr., C. C. Fitch; Bus. Agt., R. A. Christiansen, Room 457, Porter Bldg., San Jose, phone Cypress 2-6393; Main office, 474 Valencia St., San Francisco, phone Underhill 1-1135.

**FISH CANNERY WORKERS & FISHERMEN'S UNION OF THE PACIFIC, SAN FRANCISCO AND MOSS LANDING BAY AREAS**—Sec.-Treas., Geo. Isbell; office 257 5th St., Richmond, phone BEacon 5-0852; Asst. Sec., Chas. Snyder. Office phone BEacon 5-0852; Moss Landing phone, Castroville 6613.

**HOTEL-RESTAURANT EMPLOYEES AND BARTENDERS 355**—Meets 2nd Monday, Women's City Club, 9 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Pres., Wm. H. Eakin, 46 Barbara Place, phone 2-4465; Sec. and Bus. Mgr.,

A. J. Clark; Asst. Bus. Agt., Virgil C. Knight; office, Room 18, Gabilan Bldg., 6209 Gabilan St., phone 6209.

**LABORERS 272**—Meets 2nd Monday at Salinas Labor Temple, 4th Monday at Soledad Forester Hall. Pres., Carl S. Jones; Sec.-Bus. Agt., John F. Mattos, 177 Pajaro, phone 2-7077.

**LATHERS 122**—Meets 3rd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Wm. McKrone, Box 514, Freedom; Sec. and B. A., Dean Siefeldt, 1533 First Av., Salinas, phone 5418.

**LAUNDRY WORKERS 33**—Meets 3rd Thursday, 5:15 p.m., Labor Temple. Pres., Hazel Skewes; Sec., Grace MacRossie; Fin. Sec., A. L. Robertson, 520 Cypress, Pacific Grove, phone 5847; Fin. Sec. and Bus. Agt., R. E. Baxter, 64 Villa, Salinas, phone 2-5708.

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## Power Workshop Is First Prize in Mail Pouch Contest

Mail Pouch Tobacco Co. of Wheeling, W. Va., is currently launching a nation-wide contest in the labor press offering 300 prizes which include:

First prize: A complete Delta power tool shop.

Second prize: Deltashop combination tool consisting of saw, jointer, drill press, and disc sander.

Third prize: Delta 1-inch-Homecraft drill press complete with motor.

The technical description of this equipment would make any union man who works with tools jump for joy.

Mail Pouch Tobacco Co. of Wheeling, W. Va., is the parent organization of Kentucky Club, which this year ran the celebrated race horse contest won by Mrs. Evelyn Foley, 63-year-old grandmother of Danvers, Mass.

How do you win a complete power workshop for your home?

The way to do it is to read the contest ad in this issue, fill out the entry form and send it to Mail Pouch Barn Contest, Dept. B, P.O. Box 94, New York 46, N.Y.

The rules of the contest are extremely simple and depend upon the choice of a winning name which all contestants are required to select for a very famous farm animal—the cow.

In addition to the top prizes there will be a total of 300 prizes in this Do-It-Yourself contest.

The first prize includes nine items of power tool equipment. The nine units are: an 8-inch tilting arbor circular saw, a 4-inch de luxe jointer-planer, an 11-inch drill press, an 8½-inch disc sander, a 14-inch band saw, a ball bearing reversible spindle shaper for making a wide range of shapes and molds,

a 12-inch ball bearing lathe with 16 speeds for wood and light metal work, a 24-inch high speed ball bearing scroll saw with tilting table, and a 6-inch ball bearing grinder with two shielded grinding wheels. All units are complete with individual motors and stands.

Tobacco products made by the Mail Pouch Tobacco Co. are union made by members of the Tobacco Workers Intl. Union, AFL. These products include Mail Pouch chewing tobacco, Kentucky Club, Brush Creek, Christian Peper's Pouch Mixture, Crosby Square, Donniford, London Dock and Whitehall pipe tobaccos. A coupon or package face from any one of these products must accompany your entry.

Union members will remember the Kentucky Club pipe tobacco contest which appeared in the labor press last March. Almost 5,000

entries were received from readers of the labor press. Mail Pouch chewing tobacco has been advertised in the labor press for a number of years and has developed into the first choice of union chewing tobacco consumers.

This paper urges every union tobacco consumer to enter the contest. Entry blanks may be obtained and deposited at our office. The editors will take care of mailing to contest headquarters, if you prefer.

Trade Union Advertising, national advertising representatives for the labor press, says: "The Mail Pouch Barn Contest is important to the labor press. It offers an excellent opportunity to show the loyalty of readers to union made products and to their own publication."

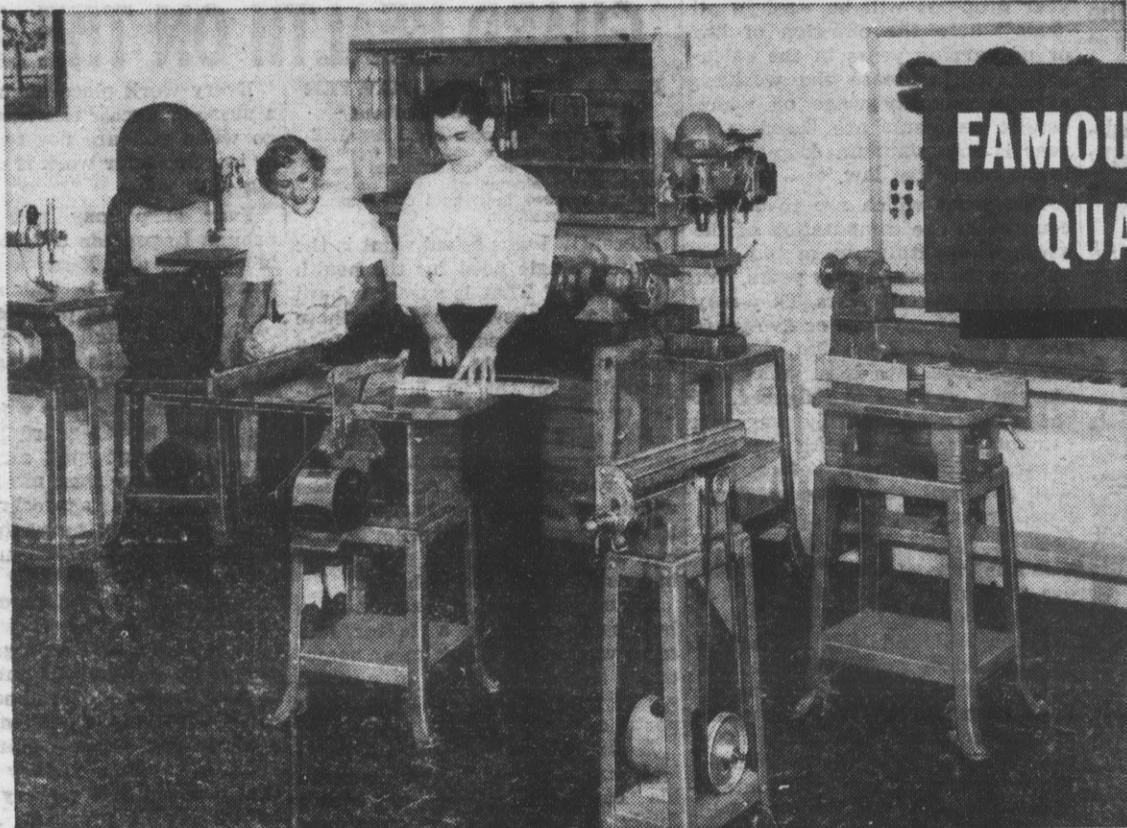
**Be Sure to Vote Nov. 2!**

## KNIGHT URGES UNION LABEL PATRONAGE

America's productive might, generated by labor and management, is this nation's most potent answer to the false promises of international Communism, Gov. Goodwin J. Knight declared when he set September 6 to 12 as Union Label Week in California.

Declaring the Union Label the symbol of labor-management cooperation and the trademark by which American consumers can identify goods and services produced by American workers under union conditions and wages, Governor Knight called upon all Californians to take advantage of the opportunities offered and become more familiar with the use and purpose of the Union Label.

## Win This Complete Power Workshop



**FAMOUS DELTA DELTA QUALITY TOOLS**

**IT'S EASY TO WIN...  
JUST NAME THE COW IN  
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wood and light metal work; takes work up to 37" in length. (8) 24" High-speed Ball Bearing Scroll Saw with tilting table; cuts up to 1¾" thick. (9) 6" Ball Bearing Grinder with two shielded grinding wheels. All units complete with individual motors and stands.

## MAIL POUCH BARN CONTEST

Think of all the things you can do and build with this wonderful Power Workshop of famous Delta Quality Tools. You can save money by fixing and making useful items for yourself. You can earn extra money doing jobs for other people.

It's easy to win. Awards will be made for the best names for the cow in the Mail Pouch barn illustrated in this advertisement. A good way to start is to buy one of the famous brands of tobacco listed in this advertisement.

Yes—the whole family can join in the fun of writing names for the cow in the Mail Pouch barn. Top winners will be notified before Christmas, so that your prize will be a thrilling Christmas present. You can submit as many names as you want. Be sure the name does not contain more than three words. For example, a name might be *Lady Upsie-Daisy*. Don't send in this name. Think of better ones. Start now!

### TOTAL OF 300 GREAT PRIZES

**1st PRIZE—COMPLETE DELTA POWER TOOL SHOP**, described elsewhere on this page.

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**3rd PRIZE—DELTA 11" HOMECRAFT DRILL PRESS**, complete with motor. 3¾" spindle travel; four speeds; ½" capacity Jacobs chuck spindle.

**4th TO 10th PRIZES**—Set of 4 bound volumes of *Deltagram*. Over 2,000 pages filled with instructions, photographs and diagrams on all types of "do it yourself" jobs.

**11th TO 300th PRIZES**—One-year subscription to *Deltagram*, the illustrated "do it yourself" magazine.

### CONTEST RULES

1. In not over three words, write a name for the cow in the Mail Pouch barn illustrated in this advertisement. Count words with hyphen as two words. For example, *Lady Upsie-Daisy* counts as three words. Use entry blank or ordinary paper. Print your name and address.

2. Send as many entries as you wish to "Mail Pouch Barn Contest," P. O. Box 94, New York 46, N. Y. Each entry must be accompanied by a "circle" from the front of a package of Mail Pouch tobacco—or a coupon or package face from any of these brands of smoking tobacco: Kentucky Club, Brush Creek, Christian Peper's Pouch Mixture, Crosby Square, Donniford, London Dock, Whitehall. Entries must be postmarked not later than midnight, November 30, 1954. No entries returned. All become property of Mail Pouch Tobacco Company.

3. Prizes as listed elsewhere on this page will be awarded by the Reuben H. Donnelley Corporation on the basis of originality, aptness of thought and sincerity. Judges' decision final. Duplicate prizes in cases of ties. All members of a family may compete but only one prize to a family.

4. Everyone in United States who is 18 years of age or older may enter contest except employees of the Mail Pouch Tobacco Company, its advertising agencies and members of their families. Entries must be the original work of contestant. Contest subject to Federal, State and local regulations.

5. Three top winners will be notified before Christmas, 1954. Other winners will be notified as soon as possible thereafter. List of winners available to those requesting same and enclosing a self-addressed stamped envelope.

### ENTRY BLANK

Just print name for the cow in the Mail Pouch barn in not over 3 words.

**COW NAME**

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Print your name

Street

City

Zone State

I certify that I am 18 years of age or older



You treat yourself to the best when you chew Mail Pouch. Mail Pouch quality is right in the tobacco. Even a smaller chew tastes better—lasts longer. What's more, Mail Pouch isn't overloaded with sugary sweetness. It's a real man's chew that never tires your taste—that you will enjoy hour after hour all day long.

## MONTEREY COUNTY LABOR NEWS

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## Why a Labor Paper?

A labor paper gives the local labor movement standing, dignity, permanence, strength, a voice, and expression ability that it would largely lack otherwise.

Labor would be just a society of tradesmen, meeting regularly, passing resolutions, calling a strike, losing a strike, and generally getting scornful treatment by the public and the daily press.

With a labor paper it has a voice and a standing. It outlines, explains, and speaks out on its complaints. The labor paper tells, publishes the facts. The public respects it, and the daily press is forced to seek out labor's views and recognize it as a dignified adult worthy of a hearing, a place in the community.

There are not too many societies that have their own publication, and they are, therefore, taken lightly by the daily press and the "city hall clique" in each community. Their demands are largely ignored.

Without a paper, labor sits silently, lacking power or means to strike back while a boss-controlled daily paper raves and abuses it.

A voice of its own, tops off and rounds out labor's full standing, gives it just that added punch and power that a group as large and important as it deserves.

Labor does the work of the community, makes wealth possible, is the largest voting, consuming, taxpaying group, and yet America is still ruled by the tradition of property rights above human rights. So if you lack money, you lack standing, influence. The propertied people generally look down on the working people, even in the churches, of all places!

To make up for this, it is essential for labor to have full unity of action, unity in voting, and a voice to give it the power and dignity which rightfully belong to it.

As so aptly stated long ago by Sam Gompers: "Were it not for the labor press, the labor movement would not be what it is today . . ."

## TIPS FOR THE HOMEMAKER

When buying wine, it's usually unnecessary to look for an "old" vintage. Most wines are not "aged" like brandies and whiskies. The phrase "a good year" applied to wine refers merely to the year of the grape harvest. It means only that grapes in that year were extra flavorful. But age is no factor. Last year's grapes may have produced better wines than those of 20 years ago.

Don't overbake chocolate brownies if you want a fudgelike cookie. The brownies should look uncooked when you take them from the oven.

Here are three ways to loosen tomato skins for quick and easy peeling: One way is to stroke the skin with the dull edge of a knife blade. Another is to dip the tomato in boiling water for a minute, then cool at once in cold water. Still another way is to hold the tomato on a fork and rotate over the heat of the stove until the skin is tight and shiny. Cool at once in cold water and peel.

Your scale must always be in the same position if you want to watch your daily weight. Outline scale with wax crayon and set scale in the outline for perfect results.

After washing in soap and water, place a small absorbent towel into children's plastic or rubber panties while they are drying. This will prevent the material from sticking together. It's also a good idea to sprinkle a little bath powder over the inside of each garment when it is dry.

The Army's Artillery School was founded at Fortress Monroe, Va., in 1824.



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## THE DROP-OUT

The drop-out of years of low or no earnings in figuring benefits is an entirely new provision in the Social Security law brought about by the 1954 amendments recently enacted by Congress. In general, anyone who has at least six quarters of coverage acquired at any time after June 30, 1953, can eliminate up to four calendar years of low or no earnings in computing his average monthly wage. And if a worker has at least 20 quarters (five calendar years) of coverage at any time in addition to meeting the above requirements, he could drop another calendar year of low or no earnings. The four or five year drop-out will be used in all cases where the omission of low or no earning years in the calculation will increase the worker's average monthly wage on which benefit payments are based. One year is the minimum drop-out allowed under the law.

The years which are to be discounted in the computation of the average monthly wage do not have to be consecutive years, but they must be full years. They may be a total of any four or five years from either 1937 or 1951, depending upon the date from which the worker's earnings are figured. If the average of monthly wages is computed beginning with the 1951 earnings, low wages before 1951 will not pull the average down whether or not the drop-out is used.

In the case of those people who are first under Social Security beginning January 1, 1955, the years between 1951 and 1955 will not be counted when the time comes for the computation of their benefits. A period of one and one-half years of covered work acquired at any time after June 1953 is required for any worker to take advantage of the drop-out. The drop-out will be used in computing their benefit amounts when a worker becomes eligible for old-age payments or when his survivors become eligible for monthly insurance payments.

Your Security Office is at 196 San Augustine St., San Jose 10. Phone Cypress 2-2480.

"I hear that you've signed up as skipper on the good ship matrimony."

"No, my wife is the skipper. I'm the second mate. I married a widow."



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## Live a Little Longer

## GUARD HEALTH ON THE JOB!

By DR. WILLIAM A. SAWYER  
IAM Medical Consultant

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Recently I was asked what is the greatest single need for the health of workers? That is surely a hard question to answer, because there are so many needs apparent. In a few words I would say that health protection on the job is the number one necessity.

Not only can a factory medical program guard against dusts, gases, skin contacts, and other things which are sometimes harmful, but it can examine the worker's general physical condition and guide him as to better health habits.

Everyone recognizes that a healthy worker is a better and safer worker. Would it mean something to you to work in a place where your health was of real importance?

If an employer provides a medical examination which surveys his employee's state of health fairly and explains those things which can be corrected or which should be watched, then a start has been made toward a useful plant health program.

Particularly is this so if periodically a follow-up examination is made to see what progress there has been.

No examination at the time of employment is worth much to an individual if there is no follow-up. You may ask why such a pre-employment examination has a value?

First of all it determines your fitness for the job in prospect and is an aid in placing you where you are physically best suited. You do not want to work where the job may injure your health.

Occasional follow-up examinations are for the purpose of making sure there is no stress or strain that is doing harm. It is as logical to look over the human machine as it is to inspect the shop equipment.

Every work place ought to have a nurse or doctor to whom you can go when you are not feeling well or imagine your work is not agreeing with you.

Your shop may not be large enough to provide a doctor, nurse, laboratory, and X-ray service, but there are ways in which some of this can be made possible.

Even in a small shop a nurse or doctor can make occasional visits and become acquainted with the shop routine and help workers and employers to safeguard health.

The value of such an arrangement is greater than most workers and employers appreciate. It is good prevention, helps avoid accidents, reduces sickness and makes for better shop spirit.

For example, one Canadian study showed that employees working in a plant with a health program were absent an average of only 4 days a year because of sickness, compared with 9 days per employee in a company without a plan.

One Canadian factory reported that it saved \$4 for every \$1 spent on its health program. A recent survey of 3600 U.S. companies with health programs showed striking reductions in accident rates, occupational disease, and absenteeism.

This is one of the best ways for an employer to save money and convince employees that he is genuinely interested in their welfare.

Next time I'd like to tell you some ways small shops can have a health service.

## Canadian Joblessness

Montreal (PAI)—Gerard Picard, president of the Canadian and Catholic Confederation of Labor, has suggested joint efforts by organized labor in Canada to make representations to the Canadian Government on the question of unemployment. The last major joint action by Canada's biggest labor bodies took place in 1951 for the renewal of price controls.

## TEN TIPS TO LOCAL OFFICERS

1. A MEMBER is the most important person in the union.
2. A MEMBER is not dependent on us—the union is dependent on him.
3. A MEMBER does not interrupt your work—he is the purpose of the union.
4. A MEMBER protects the union when he calls—we are not doing him a favor by serving him.
5. A MEMBER is part of the union—not an outsider.
6. A MEMBER is not a cold statistic—he is a flesh and blood human being with feelings and emotions like the leaders.
7. A MEMBER is not someone to argue with or to match wits with.
8. A MEMBER is a person who brings us a grievance—it is the job of the leaders to correct the grievance.
9. A MEMBER is deserving of the most courteous and attentive treatment a leader can give him.
10. A MEMBER is the lifeblood of the union—without him there is no union.

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# Get Out The Vote!

Washington (PAI)—Both the AFL's LLPE and CIO-PAC as well as individual unions are now staging a determined drive to get out the vote this November.

Already there are strong indications that their efforts may be paying off. In many State primaries turnouts have been unusually large for an off-year election and there are indications that the vote this year may be higher than normally expected.

If so, organized labor can take some of the credit.

Actually, the American voting record for the past half century has been nothing to brag about, despite the fact that in recent years the number of eligible voters who turn out and cast their ballots on election day has been showing a healthy improvement.

Here is the record for the last 10 years.

In 1942, an off-year or non-Presidential election, only about one-third of the nation's eligible voters bothered to cast their ballots.

The 1944 Presidential election in which President Franklin D. Roosevelt won election to his fourth term, the record was much better — 53 percent, or a little more than half.

Then in 1946, another off year, the vote slipped back to 37.4 percent.

In 1948, when President Truman fooled all the political dopesters by winning the election, only 51.5 percent of the eligible voters turned out or only about half of the electorate.

In 1950 the vote again slipped, this time to 41.7 percent, less than half.

In the Presidential election of 1952 when President Eisenhower swept the country, the vote climbed up to the respectable figure of 62.7 percent of the voters went to the polls, but a lot better than it had been for half a century.

But while the 1952 figure was pretty good, it was far from the voting records established by European countries. In 1948, for instance, 94 percent of eligible Italian voters went to the polls. In 1951, 83 percent of French voters participated in the Chamber of Deputies election of that year. The same percentage, 83 percent, of British voted in the elections that returned Winston Churchill to power that same year.

Thus, the United States still has a long way to go to equal or beat these European records.

Numerically, although not percentage-wise, 1952 was a record voting year in the United States.

More than 61 million voters went to the polls, the largest vote in American history.

This year is again an off-year so it can scarcely be expected that as many voters will go to the polls as went in 1952. But 1954 offers the chance for the American electorate to beat the figures for off years in the past. For the first time in American history, the Bureau of the Census estimates that there are more than 100 million men and women eligible to vote. It would take a turnout of about 42 million to beat 1950, the last off-year, and establish a new record.

If organized labor has its way, that record will be made.

## McCarthy Conduct Condemned by AFL

Los Angeles—The American Federation of Labor condemned the conduct of Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R., Wis.) as "unworthy of the American tradition."

Pointing out an individual for specific mention for any convention action, delegates to the federation's 73rd annual convention charged that McCarthy has shown a "reckless disregard of traditional democratic procedure" and a "contempt for individual liberties."

They pointed out that since his first election in 1946, the senator has been recorded by Labor's League for Political Education as having voted against the interests of working men and women on every single major issue. That includes the questions of minimum wages, Social Security, public housing, the Taft-Hartley law, control of inflation, education, taxes, and civil rights.

"This is sufficient evidence that the senator's self-appointed role as America's champion fighter against communism is not confirmed by the voting record," they asserted.

They said that Congressional investigations conducted by McCarthy "have to an unprecedented degree brazenly flouted traditional democratic procedures."

The convention commended the Massachusetts State Federation of Labor for its fight against communism and against McCarthy's methods. The Massachusetts group recently condemned the senator by convention action.

## Building Trades Confab



Frank Bonadio, left, newly appointed secretary-treasurer of the AFL Building Trades Department, gets the low-down from Dept. Pres. Richard Gray at the recent AFL convention in Los Angeles. The department convention called for a separate Federal construction law to protect wage and working standards in the industry.

ATTEND your union meetings REGULARLY!

## Stevenson Warns Electricians, "You Better Vote Democratic, Job You Save May Be Your Own"

Brother R. Zimmer, business representative of Electrical Workers 591, Stockton, has called attention to some important talks given by nationally known speakers at the recent International Convention of Electrical Workers in Chicago.

Among these was an address by the Hon. Adlai Stevenson, which he felt was so pertinent that it should be quoted:

Stevenson said in his opening remarks, "I am very much touched by what you said, Mr. Milne (president of the International) . . . but I think I shall treat such flattery like one would treat perfume: It is good to smell but is bad to swallow."

"It was just about this time, two years ago, that another convention assembled here in this same building invited me to appear before it. I wish you better luck."

"I know the rules are, nowadays, that we are to talk only about pleasant things. During the 1952 campaign the Republican complaint was that Democrats sometimes smiled. Now they get all upset if we sometimes frown. We are told that the very best brains from big business have been assembled in Washington and that they know what's good for all of us, and will take care of all our problems if we just don't complicate things by complaining about them."

"To you people there must be something faintly familiar about this proposition that everything will work out fine if you just be quiet and leave things up to management. There is probably nothing in this rumor I am about to start that as soon as McCarthy, Jenner and Velde get the Bill of Rights taken out of the Constitution, Secretaries Wilson, Humphrey and Weeks are going to get a management rights clause written in. I can't help thinking, when I hear it urged that 'faith' is the answer to things like unemployment, of that old limerick about the faith healer from Diehl who said, 'I know pain isn't real, but when I puncture my skin with the point of a pin I dislike what I fancy I feel.'

"The plain fact is that this has been a year of futility or worse in meeting what may be considered the particular problems of labor management relationship."

"Politics dropped to a low plane indeed in connection with this matter of revising the Taft-Hartley Act. There were, of course, great Republican promises during the 1952 campaign to make changes in the Act. The Republican candidate said particularly that what he called the 'union busting' provisions of the law should be removed."

"But the interests of American labor today go far beyond the amendment and administration of the Taft-Hartley Act. There appear to be, although it is hard to tell from the jugged figures, about five million men and women out of work."

"In the Administration's answer to this natural concern of yours is reflected a disturbing attitude which is not new but which has not been perceptible during recent years of high employment. 'Don't worry' they insist, 'the economy is as a matter of fact only a little bit behind last year's.' 'Unemployment,' they said with strange pride, 'is leveling out'; farm income is 'only two billion dollars off, and last year it was only two billion dollars off the year before'; 'almost as many homes are being built'; foreign trade 'is not very much worse'; the national product 'is only a little lower.'

"Now of course we will have economic ups and downs, less violent than in the past, thank God, and thanks to all the stabilizers that have been built into the economy under different management in Washington. But what this current official attitude reflects is not only apparent satisfaction with the present state because it is no worse, but indifference to the fact that these 'yesterday' answers are inadequate, that yesterday is today a measure not of success but of failure. Don't they realize that America is busting its buttons, that

there are two million more Americans this year than last; that a million new jobs are needed for the bigger work force, that a much higher rate of new building is needed; that we need more foreign trade, a great national product — that the American workingman's ambition is not just to keep up to yesterday's cost of living, but to get ahead.

"Of course there is not going to be a depression in this country. But the reason there isn't is that Americans are going to insist upon a standard of achievement, a way of progress, a vision, if you will, far exceeding, I fear, what our present leadership even senses."

"There is only one basic answer to America's short term and long term economic problems, to unemployment, to butter surpluses, to slums and all the others. That answer is that we have to expand this economy of ours, that we have to use to the full the unbelievable richness of this land and this people, that we have to push aside the artificial barriers which are the gates to markets here at home and throughout the world for everything we can conceivably produce."

"The way to meet what is called the problem of farm surpluses is not in my judgment by lowering the farmer's well being. It is rather by meeting the rising hopes of the multitudes who need and want so badly the farmer's foods and fibers. As I said the other night, there cannot be in today's hungry world a surplus of corn or wheat. There can only be a shortage of ideas or a weakness of will to learn how to get these things to those who need and want them, to use God's gifts, if you will, for His children."

"The answer to the problem of unemployment is not just the Republican answer of giving stockholders new tax benefits, increasing our tariffs on this and that and viewing with contentment voluntary pay cuts to thousands of employees at great automobile plants.

"And the answer to unemployment is only further hidden beneath platitudes about being 'conservative in economic matters, but liberal in human affairs.' It seems to me that part of the trouble with our friends in the government these days is that they see five million men and women out of work as an 'economic matter' — some statistics and a line on a graph, something to be conservative about, like giving large tax advantages to big corporations and hoping that a few of the crumbs of new jobs will brush off the banquet table. When I hear these cold, complacent, self-congratulatory words, I wonder sometimes if they even see unemployment as 'human affairs' in terms of homes where Saturday is just like Monday, where no questions are asked when the front door opens at five o'clock, where the supper table is silent and fear gnaws at the dignity of living."

"The answer to unemployment is, it seems to me, a state of mind, a concept of society that starts from the realization that we have as a people in our soil and rivers, and in our hands and our genius and our hearts, every asset we need to create a fuller life for every American in every year of our foreseeable future. We and the rest of the world need more than America's work force can possibly produce."

"We need houses, two million a year; we need schools, hospitals, highways, electric power. Yes, and we need foreign trade, yet, in spite of all their talk about trade not aid, the Republicans in the 83rd Congress turned down even a Republican Commission's proposal to expand world trade. Meanwhile, we see, all to plainly, East-West trade increasing. And you can be sure that there are plenty of malicious people in this world who know that unemployment is the best Communist agent that could possibly be sent to America."

"I do not for a moment mean to suggest that the answers to all of these great questions are easy, that the obligations of leadership toward an expanding economy are your own."

## Jobs Vital to U.S. Strength!

(AFL Release)

**Los Angeles.** — President Meany told the 73rd AFL convention that the American people should see that those persons who advocate a "second best" economy for the Nation emerge second best in the November elections.

Hitting at Administration boasting that this is the "second best year" for the United States economically, President Meany said:

"The cost of this second best year up to now is 2 million jobs and \$7 billion less on the tables and wage rolls of the country. Could we have won the last war with a second best Navy and a second best Army and second best Air Force?

"Do we want a second-rate Congress or a second-rate Administration at a time when American responsibilities, needs and opportunities are greater than ever before?

"Let me make a suggestion on the political campaign to those who advocate a second best philosophy as being good enough for America. Let us see that they emerge from the political campaign second best."

Meany said that what the AFL wants is maximum employment, maximum production and maximum purchasing power.

He said that unless America maintains a strong, healthy economy, it might suffer a collapse which would give Soviet Russia a victory in its campaign for world domination without firing a shot.

Noting the deterioration of America's relations to the free world and the rise of anti-Americanism in many places, Meany said:

"In the very nature of things today, any encouragement of anti-American sentiment means encouragement of pro-Communist sentiment."

He expressed disappointment with the visit and comments of Clement Attlee and Aneurin Bevan to Russia and China, and the actions of Premier Mendes-France of France in negotiating the Indo-China settlement.

President Meany was introduced to the more than 700 delegates, meeting in Los Angeles for the first time since 1927, by Thomas Ransford, president Los Angeles Central Labor Council. Ransford presented the gavel carved by a member of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters.

Greetings were extended by Gov. Goodwin J. Knight, Mayor Norris Polson, other public officials and the leaders of state and city labor federations.

President Meany said that the AFL wants to see full employment from the point of view of our country itself, our national security and the security of the free world.

### The number one problem that

light, or that the key to America's future turns easily in the lock of today's troubled world. Nor has it been even faintly in my mind that the necessary plans can be made or the programs even suggested in casual words such as these.

"Yes, I am convinced that in this nation's forthcoming elections a great issue hangs in the balance; whether democracy is going to be viewed as a means of hanging onto yesterday or whether it's going to be recognized for what it is and has to be, as a way of meeting tomorrow.

"America has everything it needs to keep on growing, to raise the standard of its living, to keep all of its hands at the job of production. It is inevitable that occasional mistakes will be made and that there will be stumbling. But the great fault will not be in falling short. The fault will be in not seeing that there is a higher goal, that democracy's star moves in the orbit of mankind's growth, never to be reached but to be forever pursued. Democracy's leadership must look for its guidance at that star instead of at last year's statistics. For where there is no vision of a free society's goal it will perish.

"We must say this fall, to ourselves and to a world that wants to hear it, that we believe in a democracy which lives only as it grows.

"You better vote Democratic because the job you save may be

the part of millions of workers, by rosy profit statements," President Meany said. "They don't balance one another off. You can't cancel out the workers' loss by the stockholders' gain.

"We have had a depression, we have these setbacks, the lulls, we have had unemployment before, but this is the first time in my experience where we have had widespread unemployment and been asked by our Government to be happy about it."

He said the real prophets of doom and gloom are those who feel that a small economy is inevitable for America.



**WOMEN IN POLITICS** — Mrs. Margaret Thornburgh, head of the LLPE's women's division, discusses with Pres. Lee Minton of the Glass Bottle Blowers Union the part women will play in the November elections. She asked the AFL convention to urge the women to assume a greater role in the coming elections to assure that friends of labor are elected to public office.

## Are You a Victim Of Hidden Tension?

We respond in one of three ways. We can meet the occasion, deal with it, solve it. Or we stand our ground and let the event develop around us; we freeze. Or we run from it.

All these take energy. When the alarm sounds, our system is alerted, we "tense up," get ready to react. If the alarm is short and solved satisfactorily, we readily return to rest. We usually respond this way.

Sometimes, the alarm lasts longer. We stay under stress longer and get more tired. Recently, physicians developed the idea of chronic stress. Here is constant alarm. It may be an unhappy domestic situation, a burdensome occupation, a guilty conscience, a major unsolved problem, an immature approach to living.

We find ourselves getting more and more tired, jumpy, irritable. We develop a headache, a pain in the neck or back muscles. Our digestion is poor. Our sleep disturbed. We are more tired in the morning than at night. These are signs of fatigue that arise from chronic stress or readiness to act. It's like waiting to start a trip. It's sometimes more tiring than the actual trip itself.

Other less obvious reactions occur under continued stress. Recall that the adrenal and other glands are in constant readiness. Certain hormones are being made in large quantities. These hormones react on various organs, putting them on the alert, or under tension.

### UNDERSTAND STRESS

As we now understand stress, any organ may be involved. One or more of these target organs may weaken and give way. Arthritis probably is an example of altered response to stress. Ulcers are thought to be. Many continuing aches and pains arise from chronic stress. Cortisone, which gets so much publicity, sometimes helps relieve these symptoms by supplementing what is used up under chronic tension.

There is no single way to avoid stress — no little pill. The successful approach seems to be to meet alarms and stresses realistically. This way the alarm can be turned off and the body allowed to relax. To do this sometimes takes help. But there's no point in delaying the search for help, hoping that medicine or vitamins will solve the problem.

These diseases are not imaginary, although patients often are told, "it's all in your mind." As the idea of stress is better understood, much physical disease connected with minor mental troubles will be cleared up.



British Guiana on the northern coast of South America has large deposits of gold, diamonds, manganese, mica and bauxite.

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By JOHN F. MATTOS, Secretary and Business Agent

There have been very few changes in the employment situation. The work picture is holding steady, which is much better than big calls which cannot be filled and large layoffs which are very serious at times to our members.

Would any of you members throw away your checks? I know your answer is a definite no. All right, then why throw away your check stubs? They are important in many ways. If your unemployment insurance is incorrect, or your social security or even your welfare benefits are incorrect, then you will find your pay check stubs a quick and efficient way of correcting the mistakes. DON'T THROW AWAY STUBS FROM YOUR CHECKS—keep them in a secure place, as they mean plenty to you later.

On various occasions members have come into the office and asked who is so-and-so, working for so-and-so. Who is "so-and-so"? If you will get the correct name, in most instances we can supply an immediate answer. Recently a member came in, jumping and shouting about a non-union crew on a job. When we questioned this member, he admitted the only reason he thought the crew non-union was that they were too young and he hadn't seen them before. On investigation, we found it was a PG&E crew.

The above is a good example. This member was getting angrier and angrier, trying to make me understand. His nerves were at a ragged edge and mine were wearing thin. Union time was being wasted. GET THE PICTURE CLEAR—then make your report or complaint.

Here's a summary of the employee benefits from your Health and Welfare Trust Fund plan:

Life insurance—\$1000.

Accidental death—\$1000.

Loss of both hands, legs or eyes—\$1000.

Loss of one hand, leg or eye—\$500.

Hospital expense benefits:

Room and board daily benefit, maximum 31 days.

Ward service—full reimbursement.

Semi-private or private service—\$15 a day or ward rate, whichever is less.

Special hospital charges—up to \$400, plus 75 per cent of any charge over \$400.

Emergency hospital benefit—up to \$400.

In-hospital medical benefits—\$4 a day, maximum \$124.

Surgical expense benefit—up to \$300.

X-ray and laboratory expense—maximum \$50.

Supplemental accident expense—maximum \$300.

The last two items are additional benefits effective Aug. 1, 1954. More next week on the trust fund, including schedule of benefits for dependents.

Our deepest sympathies to Bro. Faustino Pedregon of San Juan. He lost his wife on Friday, Sept. 24.

Bro. Manuel Braz was in San Francisco on Monday of last week for an extra medical examination. He hasn't recovered fully from an injury on the Pat Barclay job.

We hear that Tombleson & Huck received a bid on a school near Dos Palos. Good luck to this firm—hope they get more of these contracts, but get them in our immediate vicinity.

We have heard that a couple of our brothers will return to Salinas soon. They have been up north with Granite Construction Co. on a highway project.

The members of our union became very enthused about a Blood Bank but when the time comes to donate blood, no one shows up. Wouldn't it be nice for the union to be able to say we have 1000 quarts (not just pints!) of blood in the bank to our members' credit. Let's get together on this—make a date to donate blood.

As of Sept. 30, any member not having August paid up is suspended. Check yourself—how are your

dues? It is easier to pay your dues ahead than to become suspended and have to pay for re-admission. It's up to you—but remember: IT DOESN'T COST TO BELONG TO A UNION, IT PAYS!

Causley & Erickson are ready to start their subdivision, just off Sanborn Rd. Their model home has aroused much interest. Good luck, men.

An agreement has been reached with Chamco Block and a wage increase was received, 6 cents an hour for all classifications. There is some talk of increasing the crew at the plant. These blocks have many uses. Stop in some time and see concrete blocks being made by our own people. Maybe you'd have some use for the blocks.

On a prominent job in our area a craft (not ours) was found using personal pickup trucks to carry supplies from place to place on the job. This may seem all right at first thought, but look at it from another viewpoint—the true viewpoint. Today an individual uses his own truck to carry materials. Tomorrow maybe someone else does it. Then along comes a member who doesn't own a pickup—he just has the family car and has to keep it in good shape for a long time to protect his investment and his means of earning a living. Now then, who will the employer keep on the job—the man with the pickup truck or the man with the family car which can't be used to haul materials? Of course, the man who can afford the truck will be kept.

If such a condition is allowed to continue, a precedent will be established. It might even mean that a person who can't afford a truck, can't be able to get a job. So if one of our laborers is caught hauling tools, wheelbarrows or other supplies which are property of the employer, this laborer will be cited before our union executive board. Don't break down conditions—build them up. If ALL workers, regardless of craft, stick together there will not be problems like this. Let's try it.

One of our union laborers, Bro. Ted Miller of Greenfield, is candidate for election on Nov. 2 for the office of constable of the Greenfield Judicial Township. He says he will be a full-time officer if elected—and our union is pulling for him.

ALL members of our union should be present at our next meetings—next Monday night in Salinas, two weeks later in Sodad. Election time is coming up and we should all realize that various candidate will ask a few minutes of our time. We should listen to what they say—and we should vote for our friends, those friendly to our labor union and members.

At this time our union is negotiating for a new contract with Bristick Bros. concrete pipe company. There are two plants, in Watsonville and Camphora. We hope that by the time you read this, the contract will be a reality.

There were many birthdays of our members listed in September, but I can find no member with birthday after Sept. 24. When were you born? or what??

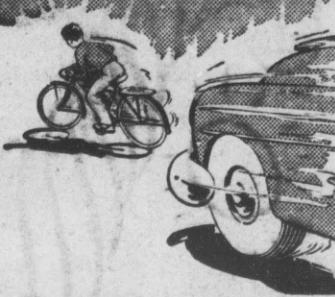
Do all you members understand the "plug board"—it's up to you to understand how it works, and follow it.

The World Series fever is high—like politics, you pay your money and take your choice! There's a winner every time!

More here next week—and vaya con Dios!

REPORT immediately all safety HAZARDS!

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## Bring Unions Under Anti-Trust Laws?

Washington (PAI)—The Department of Commerce, under Secretary Weeks, is pushing for legislation that would place labor unions under the Anti-Trust laws.

For some time now the Department of Justice National Committee to study anti-trust legislation, has been studying a memorandum submitted by the Department of Commerce on anti-trust legislation.

The direct suggestion is made in the memorandum that organized labor come under any new legislation that is recommended. While no actual bill was submitted by the Department of Commerce, it was learned that "legal language" that would be embodied in such legislation was included in the memorandum.

"Labor's Daily" reports that under the Weeks proposal labor unions "would be forced to confine their activities to single firms and in many cases lone plants of a chain operation. It would bar so-called industry-wide bargaining and label closed shop practices as violations of anti-trust laws."

The Weeks proposals reflect a sharp struggle now going on in Administration circles over anti-trust legislation as it affects organized labor. Thus Secretary of Labor Mitchell is strongly opposing the Department of Commerce line. Mitchell himself has declared that unions deal in human beings rather than commodities and are therefore not subject to anti-trust legislation.

## McDevitt Urges \$1 Donations to LLPE

Los Angeles—Director James McDevitt of Labor's League for Political Education, appealed to AFL members to make voluntary contributions of \$1 each to the League to help elect friends of working people to office this fall.

McDevitt told the 73rd annual AFL convention that "if we secure help financially, you may rest assured that we will have a majority of friends in the House and in the Senate."

"We are not trying to match the dollars of big industry in behalf of reactionary candidates," the LLPE director said, "we are merely attempting to secure sufficient money to enable friendly candidates to purchase their literature, secure radio and television time, if necessary, and the other little details necessary to a successful campaign."

He said the League is encouraged with recent political developments.

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# Mitchell Proved No Labor Friend

Los Angeles (PAI)—Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell has been the one cabinet officer organized labor felt understood its problems.

Now, following his AFL Convention speech here, Mitchell's usefulness as an administration link with labor seems to be drawing to an end.

Mitchell fell into his new role gradually. Prior to the opening of the convention, he addressed various meetings of AFL departments.

Although there were references in his speech which were not too warmly received, the delegates thought he was a pretty good guy, on the whole.

Then, at the banquet concluding the 43rd annual convention of the ILPA, Mitchell tore into the AFL for its criticism of the Eisenhower Administration.

Mitchell's entire attitude here puzzled top AFL officials. This is the first AFL convention he has addressed, since he has been in office less than a year. But at the CIO meet in Cleveland last year he went out of his way to make friends and help the Administration. Now, his attitude indicates that the Administration has either lost all hope of winning the labor vote over by November or Mitchell, himself, has lost a lot of interest in his job.

plant them in the foundation of your house."

Meany declared that Mitchell's speech said, in effect, that the Administration "will give you a little more if you behave yourselves."

Mitchell had referred to only "grudging" praise for the Administration for its social security accomplishments. Meany then pointedly read all the high praise which officials of the AFL and Federation releases issued on the new Social Security Law.

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# Labor News

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1954

## LLIB OGIDEP

When you're too busy to laugh  
—then, brother, you're TOO BUSY!

And we're still chuckling at the story about the union official in our area who was locked up inside the Labor Temple. The official had been in a union office, was unseen by parties who locked up the building. Without a building key, the official had to make a few telephone calls and then wait for liberation!

Photographic evidence of the fishing prowess of David Hower, age 12, son of B. M. Ken Hower of San Mateo painters—picture shows him holding up a string of about 15 nice fish. Papa admits that the boy has learned his fishing lessons very well!

Understand that Louis Bosco, secy. of San Jose culinary union, is passing out cigars—his wife, Sue, had a baby girl.

Of all places! The other day we walked back to our car and found a tire "flatter'n a pancake," as the saying goes. We changed it quickly as possible—cause the car was parked on the main street, in the heart of downtown Watsonville—at high noon! Many passersby expressed condolences and one even offered to help. Aren't people wonderful?

They're calling the national Republican effort a "smile-smear" campaign. Gov. Meyner of New Jersey claims Pres. Eisenhower is trying to "smile away the nation's ills" and that Sen. McCarthy and Herbert Hoover are leaders in the GOP "smear campaign."

Gee, what a world series! They ought to make the climax of our national pastime a national holiday week, so we could all cuddle around our TV sets and watch. (With full pay, of course!)

That story about the high officials getting lost in Santa Cruz while trying to find their way to the big Labor Day celebration

there is worth telling, even a month late. Seems as though Tiny Small (State Fed), George O'Reilly (Bd. of Equalization), Gene Barry (labor commissioner) and others in the big-name guest list had a pre-barbecue cocktail party at the beach. They drove on a wrong road, took a wrong turn, and were nearly in Watsonville before realizing their mistake. When they got back to the barbecue—late—one of the officials remarked: "Well, I always did like my steak well done!" (Just WHO was driving, anyway?)

The upsurge of "independent" unions, probably fostered by anti-union employers, is getting serious. New one in San Francisco and San Mateo. The state jurisdictional strike control law is dangerous to bona fide unions—allows employers to cut wages by signing with another union, putting the worker in a "take it or leave it" position. Could be as bad as the misnamed "Right to Work" legislation if allowed to continue as is.

Story going around about a man with ears of different sizes—"one that was small, was no good at all, but the large one won many prizes." Think it over—it'll grow on you!

### Ability to Read Ruled Permissible

Fort Dodge, Iowa (PAI)—The National Labor Relations Board has decided that the ability to read is no handicap in joining a union.

Management didn't want its janitors included in a bargaining unit on the grounds that they "have the opportunity to read . . . confidential information that may be left on the desks of management representatives or in personal files which may occasionally be left unlocked."

The NLRB threw the argument out.



## Ike Regime's Health Plan Will Not Aid Sick People

Despite the finding by a nonpartisan presidential health commission in 1952 that the main reason most people don't have health insurance is they simply can't afford it, the administration's main program for bringing sick people and doctors together is a plan that will neither cut costs nor help pay for them.

These points are included in the 1954 Democratic Fact Book, published for campaign orators by the Democratic National Committee.

Says the Fact Book:

"Every year medical care costs American families nearly \$10 billion a year. A million families a year are forced to spend at least half their total income on doctors and hospital bills. Eight million families are in debt because of medical bills."

"Despite this, the Eisenhower Administration and its 'Department of Not-Too-Much Health, Education and Welfare' offer an inadequate health program, which one expert summed up by saying: 'This administration wants to put up \$25 million to do a \$10 billion job.'

"Recent studies of the cost of medical care have revealed:

1—"America's families are spending \$9.4 billion a year for all medical care—\$229 for every family in America."

#### LOW COVERAGE

2—"Only 17 cents out of every dollar spent for medical care is covered by any sort of health insurance."

3—"Hospitalization costs American families a total of \$2.8 billion a year—\$68 for every family—and only 38 cents of every dollar paid in hospital bills is covered by insurance."

4—"Physicians' service cost \$2.9 billion annually—\$71 for every family in America—and only 19 cents of every dollar of doctors' bills is covered by insurance."

"For those who can afford it, health insurance helps, but for most American families it has not solved the problem of paying the medical bills. Here are the facts:

1—"Forty-one families out of every hundred have no insurance protection of any kind."

2—"Only four families out of every hundred have adequate 'comprehensive' insurance, which covers doctors', hospital and surgical bills, etc."

3—"Twelve families out of every hundred have hospital insurance only."

4—"Many existing insurance policies are inadequate—pay benefits of only \$5 or \$6 a day to cover hospital care, which costs about \$15 or \$20."

(The Nonpartisan Commission

on the Health Needs of the Nation, appointed by the then President Truman and composed of doctors, union spokesmen and other representative leaders, found that the main reason more families don't have health insurance is that they can't afford it.

It also found that "the individual often does not obtain health services when the need arises because he simply does not have the money to pay for them."

(The commission proposed that the Federal Government should contribute from the general tax fund to state aids in prepayment of health plan premiums of individuals and families on relief or living on marginal incomes.

(It proposed that funds contributed to the social security fund should be used in prepaying health insurance for social security beneficiaries in plans that do not require a means test and that meet federal standards.

(It proposed the setting up of a cooperative federal-state program with a state health authority in each state to aid in developing and distributing personal health services for all, using public or private agencies or resources, or both.

#### PROGRAM FALLS SHORT

(Though this program fell short of the national health insurance plan backed by the two labor members of the commission, CIO President Walter Reuther and AFL Machinists President Al J. Hayes, it was far too forward-looking for the Eisenhower Administration.)

To quote from the Democratic Fact Book, which did not give detail on the Truman Commission findings:

"During the 1952 campaign, Candidate Eisenhower said (at Salt Lake City, 10/10/52):

"It is . . . wrong—morally and economically wrong—to ignore the health problem of those who cannot pay the cost of adequate medical care."

"But rather than helping the millions of families who cannot pay their medical bills, the Eisenhower health program merely helps the insurance companies," the Fact Book asserts.

"What President Eisenhower is proposing, to answer the \$10 billion medical care problem, is a 25 million dollar 'health reinsurance' pro-

## AFL TO PUSH LABOR UNITY

Los Angeles—The 73rd AFL convention predicted that ratification of the No Raiding Agreement between the AFL and CIO had opened the road toward cementing a united labor movement.

"The more peaceful atmosphere resulting from the No-Raiding Agreement, should permit negotiations for unity to move forward with dispatch," the convention said.

The "precedent-making letter of fraternal greetings" from CIO President Walter P. Reuther was welcomed as an indication of the growing feeling for unity. Reuther expressed the hope that the agreement would provide the foundation for future unity.

AFL President George Meany in his keynote address advocated that negotiations move ahead immediately toward achieving organic labor unity.

Attend, take part, make your union stronger!

## CPS-Blue Shield paid \$6,631.30 for this tragic accident

In February this year Miss Myrtle Loughery was severely burned by an explosion which occurred while she was drycleaning clothes at home. She was rushed to a hospital where an emergency operation was performed.

Since then she has had a total of 10 operations, including skin grafts, and remained in the hospital 93 days.

### Here is the Itemization of CPS' Payments to date:

Surgeons . . . . .	\$3,422.15
Assistants, anesthetists, consultants and post-operative care . . . . .	1,013.35
Hospital room and board . . . . .	1,720.50
Operating room, lab and supplies . . . . .	475.30
<b>GRAND TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>\$6,631.30</b>

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